HUDCO guidelines and fulfilment, of category-wise resource allocation laid down by the Government, etc.

Workshop on drug abuse control

734. SHRI PARVATHANENI UP-ENDRA: Mil the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a workshop had recently been organised hy the Indian Council of Education on Drug Abuse Control;

(b) if so, the steps being taken to control the increasing use of dreaded drugs in various countries in the world; and

(c) the outline of the schemes initiated in the workshop to rehabilitate the drug addicts?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (DR. RAJENDRA KUMARI BAJPAI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The steps being taken to control the increasing use of dreaded drugs in various countries in the world include efforts to control the productlion movement and availability of drugs. Apart from measures which aim at reduction of supply, the efforts are also made to reduce demand for drugs by increasing public awareness about this menace. Drug dependent persons are subjected to counselling and efforts are made for their de-addition and rehabilitation in society.

(c) The workshop provided a forum for exchange of views and discussion on various aspects of drug abuse control and prevention programmes. No schemes were inlitiated.

Familirs benefited under IRDP in Orissa

735. SHRI BASUDEB MOHAPA-TRA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the nrmber of families benefited under the Integrated Rural Development Programme in Orissa during 1985-86 and 1986-87;

(b) the number of families out of these beneficiaries who have been able to cross the poverty line during tlie above period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE TN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DE-VELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI RAMA-NAND YADAV): (a) Under IRDP 1. 734 lakhs and 2. 078 lakh families had been assisted in Orissa during 1985-86 and 1986-87 respectively.

(b) Crossing the poverty line is a continuous and gradual process and it takes some time before the impact of the programme is felt. From October, 1985 onwards a monthly concurrent evaluation of the programme has been taken up. 36 districts and 72 blocks are covered each month. 10 new beneficiaries and 10 old beneficiaries (those who have been given assistance two years earlier) are selected in each block on random sampling basis for survey. According to Concurrent Evaluation of IRDP for January—March, 1987 Report, 41. 38 per cent of the sample of old beneficiaries in Orissa had crossed the old poverty line of Rs. 3, 500.

Special assistance for drinking water to Orissa

736. SHRI BASUDEB MOHAPA-TRA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased fo state:

(a) what special assistance has been given to Orissa so far for providing drinking water to the village severely affected by water scarcity;

(b) whether Government propose to pay special attention to hilly tribal villages where water scarcity is most acute; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DE-VELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE fSHRT RAMA-NAND YADAV): (a) The Central Government had released an *ad hoc* assistance of Rs. 1. 4 crore as ways and means advance for rural areas of

Orissa which have been severely affected by the scarcity of drinking water. In addition, an amount of Rs. 1. 63 crores was a]$_{So}$ released for purchase of rigs and other equipments. Recently, the Central Government has approved a sum of Rs. 4. 63 crores towards ceiling of expenditure under drought relief for supply of drinking water in rural areas inclusive of the above assistance.

(b) and (c) The *ad hoc* assistance released to the State Goyetnjnenl is meant for all the scarcity affected areas including tribal and hill villages with acute shortage of water.

Allotment of Palmoline oil to Orissa

737. SHRI BASUDEB MOHAPATRA; Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) the total requirement of edible olil for the State of Orissa during the year 1987-88 and the total quantity supplied during the months from April to October, 1987;

(b) what is the allotment of Palmoline oil to the State of Orissa dur-ling the months from April to October, 1987; and

(c) whether Government have for-mulated any policy for the distribution of Palmoline oil?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT): (a) and (b) The demand made by the Government of Orissa for the Oil Year 1986-87 (Nov. 86--Oct. 87) is 72, 000 MTs. The total quantity of Palmoline oil allocated t_0 Orissa from April. 1987 to October, 1987 is 17, 400 MTs. against which they have lfift-ed 10. 152 MTs. The month-wise allocation of Palmoline oil to Orissa from April, 1987 to October, 1987 is as follows:

Month	Allocation under PDS including Small Packs
April 1987	1, 050 Mts
May	1, 250 Mts
June	1. 400 Mts
July	1, 600 Mts
August.	3, 500 Mts
September	3, 800 Mts
October.	4, 800 Mts
TOTAL	17, 400 Mts

(c) The Central Government allocates the imported edible oil including Palmoline o[1]* at a fixed issue price to States/Union Territories for supply through Public Distribution System. Further distribution of his oil is State's responsibility to whom guidelines regarding scale erf distribution, consumer price chargeaole regarding scale of distribution, consumer price chargeable and preventive and punitive measures to be taken against illegal diversion into unauthorised channels have been issued.

Reduction of staff in Field Publicity set up

738 SHRI KALPNATH BAI;
SHRIMATI SUDHA VIJAY JOSHI:

"Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to reduce the staff employed under the Field Publicity set-up of the Minfistry of Information and Broadcasting;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) how Government propose to provide alternative employment to the staff so affected and save them from unemployment?